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HOME MEAT MARKET

Xmas Tree December 23rd.

The Crossfield Christmas Con-
cert is to be held on Wednesday,
Dec. 23 at 8.15 in the U.F.A. hall.
There will be a community tree,
on which every one is free to place
gifts. A small charge of 25c per
adult will be collected to defray
expenses. All children free.

A full program is being prepar-
ed, and we will trust Old Saint
Nick will be able to be with us to
insure a real time for all.

Leap Year Dance Friday, January 8

A Big Leap Year Dance will be
given in the East Community Hall
on Jan. 8th under auspices of the
U. F. W. A. Music by the Melody
Boys. Admission 50c per couple.
A beautiful patch work quilt will
be raffled off at this dance.

HOCKEY TEAM DROP A PAIR OF GAMES

The first hockey game in the
Rosebud League was played at
Airdrie on Friday evening last,
and the locals went down to a 5-1
defeat.

Airdrie has a nicely balanced
team with a smooth working for-
ward line in T. Borbridge, Duke
Davis and H. Soper. Crossfield
relied on too much individual play
and they are not as yet in the best
of condition and were no match for
the Airdrie squad.

The Teams

Airdrie—J. McDowell, Vernon
Hutt; Cliff Fletcher and Walter
Cassel; Duke Davis, H. Soper, T.
Borbridge; subs, L. Clayton, Bus
Kline, Otto Johnson, N. Fletcher.

Crossfield—Bob Smart, Wm.
Murdock, D. McDonald; A. Stevens
Gordon Young, Stan Miller; subs,
Hughie McAdyen, Lorne Nielson,
T. McAdyen.

Crossfield played their second
league game at Didsbury on Tues-
day night, and although they went
down to a 6-3 defeat, played a far
better game than in the opener at
Airdrie. Crossfield had all the
better of the first period and had
the northerners down 2 to 0 at the
end of the first session. Wayne
Stauffer, the Tany-Bryn school
teacher, played a wonderful game
in goal for Crossfield. Gordon
Young also a big night, and scored
the last goal of the evening on a
long effort.

Airdrie plays here on Tuesday
night Dec. 22nd, providing that
the chinook wind now blowing
does not wipe the ice out entirely.

DR. LINCOLN SNOWBOUND

About 150 people, many of whom
from the country, gathered in the
Hall, Monday evening to hear
address on Russia by Dr. Lincoln.

It was a great disappointment
however when word came at 9
o'clock that after two hours on the
road Dr. Lincoln was isolated in
Airdrie for the night, not being
able to go north or south on ac-
count of the drifts on the highway.

President Fitzpatrick however,
was equal to the occasion and a
pleasant hour and a half was spent
with short addresses, readings
stories, solos, musical numbers and
community singing.

After listening to this program
which was entirely impromptu, one
cannot help but be convinced that
Crossfield has plenty of real talent.
We could have many evenings
such as this which would be a ben-
efit and asset to the community.

THE MARKETS

Crossfield, Dec. 17th.

Wheat—No. 1 40c, No. 2 35c, No.
3 31c, No. 4 29c, No. 5 25c, No. 6 23c,
Feed 23c.

Oats—2 C. W. 17c, 3 C. W. 14c,
No. 1 Feed 15c.

Barley—3 C. W. 21c, 4 C. W. 19c.

Hogs, bacon \$3.15

More About Floral Local U. F. W. A.

(Continued from Last Week)

In 1918 it was Floral and Rod-
ney locals that sounded the first
call for political action and in the
spring of 1919 a convention was
called in Calgary. A. A. Hall, F.
A. Purvis and W. Thompson were
the delegates. A district organiza-
tion, was formed and later Alex
Moore of Cochrane was named a
candidate.

The Local took a very active
part in what is now known as
"The Famous Bye Election of
Cochrane" when the farmer suc-
ceeded in electing the first farmer
member in the Dominion of Can-
ada.

The East Community Hall is a
result of the continuous efforts
of Floral Local assisted by the
Floral U.F.W.A. and the Floral
Junior.

The membership of the Local
has fluctuated from 10 to 65 but it
has always been active and while
some years the number of paid up
members were few, the old mem-
bers could always be relied upon to
put their shoulder to the wheel in
time of need.

Among those who took an ac-
tive or prominent part in the Local
in its early days in addition to
those already mentioned were the
following: C. C. Stafford, Capt.
N. J. Wigle, James Millar, James
Laut, W. R. Stafford, G. G. Huser,
F. E. Ruddy, H. E. Schofield,
C. E. Brown, Lee Abieman, J. R.
Bolic, E. H. Morrow, G. H. Hales,
H. E. Salter, Geo. Boyce, P. A.
Whittaker, J. J. Anderson and
many others who are still in the
district.

The Local like many others played
a very prominent part in assist-
ing to build up a better commu-
nity and district. Its influence has
been felt in many ways. There
are still many things that can be
accomplished and no better facili-
ties are available than such organ-
ization as these.

THE DISTRICT NEEDS YOUR ASSISTANCE

The annual meeting of the Local
will be held in the U. F. A. Hall
on Saturday afternoon Jan. 9, '32.
The roll call of the past and pres-
ent members will be read together
with a list of all officers since orga-
nization. A special invitation is
extended to everyone especially all
the old members. Let's see how
many are here.

Fellowship Notes

The Fellowship Club held their
regular meeting in the Masonic
basement hall on Thursday night.
After the business meeting the
members were favored with an in-
spiring talk on Fellowship by Mr.
Young.

As the Club meetings on Dec.
24 and 31 are cancelled, our next
meeting will be a social on Jan. 7.

CLUB NOTES

Mr Tweedle to Mr. McCaskill: "A
large single diamond will be alright,
Hall."

"Is it .50 or .75 for you Jimmy?"
The visiting committee is pleased to
note that our honorable secretary, Mr.
Tweedle, is well on the way to recovery.
Many of the male members feel a break-
down coming on.

The Elba school Christmas en-
tertainment will be held in the
East Community Hall on Tuesday,
Dec. 22 at 8 p.m.

The Greenwood School Xmas
Entertainment will be held on
Dec. 21st. Kums in Krowds to
avoid the Krowds. Ladies please
provide.

At the United Church Manse
on Monday afternoon, Miss Jeanne
De Cow of Calgary was united in
marriage with Mr. Wilfred Kelly
also of Calgary. Rev. H. Young
performed the ceremony.

The implement shed on the farm
of T. M. Mann was blown down
today (Thursday); during the
chinook wind

Notice

Owing to continued depression
we have decided to allow 25c
per 100 lbs. premium on all
hogs shipped through us, from
this date to apply on debts in-
curred previous to January 1st.
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We have also reduced our shipp-
ing cost on all hogs from 50c
to 40c per 100 lbs.

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States, and five months on Old Country
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Speaking to the brilliant gathering of celebrities assembled at the recent Lord Mayor's banquet at the Guildhall, Premier Ramsay MacDonald declared: "We have been witnessing the complete breakdown of the doctrine of national economic self-sufficiency."

Truer, more significant words have seldom been uttered, but it is doubtful if people generally have yet come to a full realization of how futile the doctrine of self-sufficiency is, regardless of the fact whether it is applied in the realm of national economics or in the narrower sphere of an individual's life.

Belief that one is sufficient unto oneself is an outgrowth of egotism which in itself is a sign of weakness and a fatal defect in character. Belief in oneself is essential to success, but to take the position that incorporated within ourselves are all the elements essential to success, that nothing more is needed, that we, and we alone apart from everybody and everything, can achieve, is a mistaken, a fatal attitude.

And what is true of the individual is equally true of nations and peoples. During the progress of the Great War the nations of the world learned that not one of them, no matter how obscure or isolated it might be, nor how great and powerful it might be, could live unto and within itself alone. Not one proved self-sufficient. Rather, the Great War revealed the dependence of one on another, and the interdependence of all.

The Great War was a struggle for the supremacy of one of two conflicting ideas or principles in government—democracy versus autocracy. Either autocracy as represented by the German Kaiser and based on militarism, or democracy as represented by those countries having constitutional governments based on the will of the people governed, had to prevail. Autocracy was defeated and democracy triumphed.

Out of that triumph arose the demand for the "self determination of peoples," and several new nations came into being. Unfortunately, these little nations felt impelled first of all to develop a so-called national spirit, and to attempt to make their new found independence as nations secure, by making themselves supposedly self-contained, self-sufficient. To that end they strove to shut other nations, and the peoples and products of other nations, out. In doing so, they actually shut themselves in. The interdependence taught by the Great War was lost in the nationalistic, economic struggle which succeeded the war.

But, as Ramsay MacDonald points out, this doctrine of national and economic self-sufficiency has completely broken down. One nation suffers loss of trade, and all nations find they, too, are suffering as a result. Unemployment develops in one country and automatically the resultant loss of purchasing power by the citizens of that country brings about unemployment in other countries which formerly did business with it.

The United States is, perhaps, the most compact, self-contained nation in the world today. Its national policies for many decades have been developed in that belief. Yet today the United States is suffering enormous declines in trade, with millions of its people unemployed, with its government facing a deficit this year of the stupendous sum of two billions of dollars. Why? Because the prosperity of the United States is dependent upon the prosperity of other nations; because, despite all its proud boasting in the past, it is not a self-contained country, its self-sufficiency is not sufficient; because world depression prevails and the United States cannot escape its calamitous results.

The cities and towns of Western Canada, as well, and the doctors, lawyers, bankers, merchants, insurance brokers, and artisans and laborers who make up these urban communities are suffering today because, first of all, the farmers are suffering through loss of crops, low prices for what they have succeeded in producing, inability to market their produce at a profit. Nothing else is wrong with the cities and towns, but the fact that the great primary industry of this country, agriculture, upon which they depend just as truly as do the farmers themselves, has been stricken. The cities and towns are not sufficient unto themselves; they are dependent on the farms. And the farmers, in turn, are dependent upon the great consuming masses in the cities of the world to purchase their produce. Each class is dependent on the other; all are interdependent.

May this great lesson of the war and of these difficult post-war years sink in the consciousness of all people, may it become indelibly engraved in the memories of all, never to be forgotten, may it convince the statesmen of the world that their policies must in future be based in interdependence rather than in self-sufficiency, and founded on a large and broad internationalism rather than in a selfish, narrow nationalism.

When Recovery Will Come

Canada will begin to recover when the world begins to recover, and the world will begin to recover when the impediments to world trade are reduced, war debts cancelled, and the frozen gold piles of the United States and France so melted that they will flow into the coffers of other countries in need of the yellow metal.

Thousands Visit Observatory

Over 32,800 persons visited the Dominion Astrophysical Observatory of the Department of the Interior at Victoria, British Columbia, during the year ended March 31, 1931.

The first factory in the United Kingdom for the production of glass wool, primarily for heat insulation in ships, locomotives and engine rooms, has been opened at Glasgow.

PATENTS

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Federal Bird Sanctuaries

Canada now has 40 federal bird sanctuaries across the Dominion. Surveys indicate that these sanctuaries are effective in preserving bird life. A census of birds in a group of ten reservations on the north shore of the St. Lawrence River in 1930 showed an average increase of all varieties of 19 per cent. since the year 1925.

Miller's Worm Powders will clear the stomach and bowels of worms, so that the child will no more be troubled by their ravages. The powders are sweet to the taste and no child will object to taking them. They are non-injurious in their composition, and while in some cases they may cause vomiting, that must not be taken as a sign that they are nauseating, but as an indication of their effective work.

Stands Several Reheatings

Chemists who are studying stalemeat of bread have found that reheating restores freshness temporarily, and the process can be repeated as many as seven times before the bread loses too much moisture to benefit by heating.

Discussing Support For Canadian Dollar

Heavy Discount Proves Boomerang To United States Business

United States banking and business interests are finding the heavy discount on the Canadian dollar somewhat of a boomerang and are considering action to alleviate their distress.

The New York Herald-Tribune, in a financial page item, remarking that banking interests in this country are taking note of the "situation," says there is talk in Wall Street of "support" for the Dominion currency.

"It was pointed out," says the paper, "that the further the Canadian dollar declines the more difficult it becomes to do business with Canada. If prices are scaled up to meet the deficiency realized on exchange, it naturally becomes quite impossible to compete with Canadian or British goods in the Dominion. It is reasoned that New York's interests in supporting the Canadian dollar should receive additional support from banks and corporations which have bank balances in Canada. Corporations whose subsidiaries operate in Canada but pay dividends to parent companies on this side of the border should also be interested in supporting the Canadian dollar."

Just what form the "support" would take is not pointed out, but the Herald-Tribune says it is "recognized generally it would be of mutual benefit."

Publication Restricted

Bible Printed in England By Only Three Firms

Only three publishers are allowed to print the Bible in England. They are the Oxford and Cambridge presses and the King's Printer. These publishers have found that "there is money in the Bible," for millions of copies are sold or given away each year. Similar restrictions do not hold in the United States. Any one who wishes, may publish the Bible, and it was recently announced, an "Americanized" version of it will soon be issued. The American Bible Society estimates that in 1930 alone, 34,000 copies of the Bible, or of sections of it including one book or more, were sold or presented to those who could not afford to purchase them.

Colonization Progress

Many People Settled On Land Under Government Policy

The policy of encouraging colonization within Canada, instituted in September last year by Hon. W. A. Gordon, Minister of Immigration, and conducted in the form of a co-ordinated effort by the department and railway companies, has resulted in return to the land of approximately 42,882 people, according to a statement made public at Ottawa.

Detailed returns to November 30, 1931, show a total of 6,040 families and 12,682 single men have been placed on farms since October 1, 1930, the former as settlers and the single men as farm laborers.

Cultural Value Zero

Replying to a questionnaire sent him by a New York college organ, H. L. Mencken, author, stated the attention of college students at United States universities is concentrated upon mean and trivial things. Very few of the professors who teach in them "are really civilized men, and relatively few of the students come from civilized homes. Thus, the cultural value of the college tends to approximate zero."

British People Like Candy

The sweet-toothed people of the British Isles consume over \$250,000,000 worth of candies in a year. Half this amount is spent on chocolates. In addition to this Great Britain exports over \$10,000,000 worth of candies annually.

EXPLORER RETIRES



Major L. Burwash, well known Canadian Arctic explorer, who is being retired from the Government service at the end of the year.

Recipes For This Week

(By Betty Barclay)

PLANTATION MARBLE CAKE

(2 eggs)

2 cups special cake flour, sifted.
2 teaspoons baking powder.
¼ teaspoon salt.
¼ cup butter or other shortening.
1 cup sugar.
2 eggs, well beaten.
½ cup milk.
1 teaspoon cinnamon.
½ teaspoon each cloves and nutmeg.

2 tablespoons molasses.
Sift flour once, measure, add baking powder and salt, and sift together three times. Cream butter thoroughly, add sugar gradually, and cream together until light and fluffy. Add eggs; then flour, alternately with milk, a small amount at a time. Beat after each addition until smooth. Divide batter in two parts. To one part, add spices and molasses. Place light and dark mixtures alternately, a tablespoon at a time, in greased pan, 8 x 8 x 2 inches. Bake in moderate oven (350 degrees Fahrenheit) 50 minutes, or until done. Frost with boiled frosting. Decorate with raisins and halves of walnut meats.

PRUNE SOUFFLE

½ cup sugar.
¼ teaspoon salt.
4 egg whites, stiffly beaten.
1 can coconut, southern style.
1 cup cooked prunes, seeded and finely chopped.

Fold sugar and salt gradually into egg whites; then fold in coconut and prunes. Turn into greased baking dish. Bake in slow oven (300 degrees Fahrenheit) 45 minutes, or until firm in center. Serve hot. Serves 8.

Ancient Coins Found

Coins believed to be over 900 years old have been found in a cemetery in Szeged, near Budapest, Hungary. They bear the effigy of King St. Stephen of Hungary, who was crowned in A.D. 1001, when Hungary first became an independent kingdom. The coins were found near the spot where a burial place of the bronze age was recently discovered.

He: "I have waited an hour for you."

She: "But, dear, I said I might be five minutes late."

Slot machines sell less in a busy Los Angeles suburb.



"It's so passionately fond of reading, Mrs. Tomkins, that 'is father's trying to get 'im into the gas company so that 'e can go round and read the meters."—The Humorist, London, England.

Urge Use Of Home Products

Building Industry Said To Be Importing Huge Quantities Of Materials

An indictment of the building industry for importing millions of dollars' worth of materials annually, at the expense of similar produced-in-Canada goods is made in a survey released by the Montreal Industrial commission on unemployment. The survey, based on a year's work by Norman Holland, chairman of the commission, will be mailed to all members of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada. It is announced.

Canada imported from the United States in the fiscal year ended March 31, 1931, building material valued at \$26,945,437. The document deals with approximately 80 separate foreign products which, it is claimed investigation shows, were used in Canadian buildings.

Summing up, the document gives the following belief of the unemployment commission: "We believe if an independent commission were given authority to check over all specifications for such buildings as receive financial support from the public of Canada, this would bring back to Canadian factories in one year at least half of the \$27,000,000 worth of business which now goes to foreign countries."

Diseases Of Ancients

X-Ray Reveals Troubles Of People Who Lived 3,000 Years Ago

In ancient Egypt at least four out of five persons had pyorrhea, childhood was no hygienic bed of roses, and arthritis and arteriosclerosis presumably were favourite topics when the elders swapped clinical notes.

These are discoveries summarized after two years' study at the Field Museum of Natural History in Chicago, where scientists diverted X-rays from modern medical problems to historical cases, focused them back over the centuries, and conducted autopsies on persons dead 3,000 years.

A Foo To Asthma. Give Asthma a chance and it gains ground rapidly. But give it repeated treatments of Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Asthma Remedy and it will fall back even faster. There is no half way measure about this remedy. It goes right to work and drives asthma out. It reaches the innermost breathing passages and leaves no place for the trouble to lurk. Have it by you for ready use.

Had To Be Satisfied

"H'm! I don't like the look of your wife at all, Mr. Blunt," said the doctor, after he had examined the patient.

"Neither do I," answered Blunt, "but still she's a good wife, and looks after the children and the house well—so I can't grumble, I suppose."

Engineer Flew Above Train

J. W. Street, engineer of the "Cheltenham Flyer," the world's fastest train, recently flew above the train during part of its run between Swinton and Reading, England. Street and his wife hired an air taxi special to make the flight.

An ordinary hen's egg will withstand a pressure of about 500 pounds per square inch.

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Interesting Statistics

Show Indians in Canada Are Thrifty and Prosperous

The census of Indians in Canada in 1929 gave the total number of men, women and children as 108,012. These are, of course, not all farmers, some being engaged in hunting and trapping, in lumbering, commercial fishing, and in transportation. However, according to the records of the Department of Indian Affairs, they had in the above year all told 1,101,175 acres of land fenced and 236,028 acres under actual cultivation. Other figures relating to the whole Indian community are: Brick, stone or frame dwellings, 11,880; churches, 355; council houses, 124; schoolhouses, 260; sawmills, 32. In addition to the number of day schoolhouses, there are 78 residential schools devoted to the education of the Indian population.

Canadian People Are Buying More Luxuries

Indicates Confidence in General Improvement of Economic Conditions

The Canadian public has been purchasing more luxuries recently than for months past, indicating a possible loosening up of ready money and a more general confidence throughout the Dominion in the general improvement of economic conditions, states the department of trade and commerce in a statistical review.

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics, says the review, reports larger retail sales of radio and other musical instruments in October than in any month since last December. Sales by candy stores also were greater. Retail sales by furniture stores and by general department stores also were reported larger.

No More Examinations

Entrance examinations in Manitoba schools will be abolished in favour of recommendations by teachers on pupils' work throughout the term. Examinations which in former years have been the test for graduating from public high schools, have been discontinued. In future graduation from public schools will be made on recommendation of the teacher.

One of the commonest complaints of infants is worms, and the most effective application for them is Mother Graves' Worm Extirminator.

Settler Made History

Alberta's first settler made the history books by murdering two of his neighbours, according to Professor A. E. Corbett, of the University of Alberta, in a recent dissertation on "Early Days Along the Saskatchewan." Peter Pond, Alberta's first farmer, came to the Athabasca River in 1775 and established a post 30 miles to the south of what is now Fort Chipewyan.

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Movement To Have All Eastern Shipments Of Grain Routed Through Canadian Ports

"No obstacle that cannot be overcome stands in the way of Canadian grain traffic through all Canadian ports." Such was the conviction voiced at Halifax recently by Col. Earle C. Phinney, chairman of the Halifax Harbor Commission.

Speaking at a dinner designed to secure co-operation in furtherance of a campaign to acquaint all sections of Canada with "the fact that inland sections of this country will benefit to the same extent as Halifax and St. John from such a movement," the chief commissioner called for a getting together of every business force in Halifax and the maritimes to make it an eventuality.

"The major problems involved are national, not local," he said, "but we, at present, are the plaintiffs and we must carry the case. The rest of Canada is sympathetic, but unless there is complete unity among ourselves, we cannot go to other sections of this Dominion and ask for co-operation."

The arguments that, were the maritime request for a lower grain rate over the National Transcontinental granted, United States lines would retaliate with a lowering of rates, and that the Canadian line would be forced to haul at a loss were, in Col. Phinney's words, "groundless bugbears"—an opinion he offered evidence to support.

"An unofficial gathering of officials," sponsored by W. H. Dennis, managing director of the Halifax Herald, brought together some 200 representatives of government, civic and business interests.

They heard Col. Phinney, who has just returned from a western survey of grain traffic possibilities, instance difficulties overcome by Vancouver in building up grain traffic as an inspiration for Halifax. "They proved," he said, "that you must have ballast to secure a turn-around movement of ships—and that if we get the grain the ships will come."

Re-division of a fair proportion of Canadian traffic to Canadian channels would benefit not only these ports, but inland sections, he said.

Contention that Canadian lines could not haul grain at the reduced rate profitably, he continued, was answered by their own statisticians, who had testified they could not make the cost of hauling any given commodity from one point to another. "Figures indicate," he added, "that the C.N.R. hauling grain to Halifax and St. John over the Transcontinental at the rate we ask for, can make more money than it can by hauling any commodity anywhere else in Canada."

"Are we to let deficits on the Transcontinental pile up because of non-use?" he asked. "Isn't it better if necessary to lose, and I don't think it is, to lose the same amount of money in operation, than doing nothing?"

Telegrams of endorsement of the movement for grain shipments through Canadian ports were read from M. E. Nichols, Winnipeg Tribune; E. H. Macklin, Winnipeg Free Press; John M. Imrie, Edmonton Journal; J. H. Woods, former president of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce; J. D. McKenna, St. John Telegraph-Journal; and R. J. Cronin, Vancouver Sun.

Coaches Named For Royalty
Tourists who land at Plymouth, England, will travel henceforth in railway coaches named for the royal family. New type "luxury" cars have been designed chiefly to meet tourist demands, and will bear the names of "King George," "Queen Mary," "Prince of Wales," "Duke of York," "Duchess of York," "Duke of Gloucester," "Princess Mary," and "Princess Elizabeth."

People Are Warned
A radio announcement states that a certain crooner will be heard from a certain network every evening at a certain hour. Very kind of the broadcasters to issue that warning.

"Have you bathed here?"
"Excuse me, constable, I haven't got that far yet."—Gemeinliche Sachse, Leipzig.

W. N. U. 1920

Farmers Should Be Loyal To Marquis

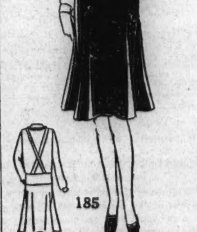
Until Further Information Regarding Reliance Wheat Is Received G. M. Stewart, District Inspector Seed Branch of the Dominion Department of Agriculture, Calgary, advised Alberta farmers to remain loyal to Marquis wheat until further information is received regarding the new variety known as Reliance. Mr. Stewart is also chairman of the seed board of Alberta.

His statement refers to reports from the University of Saskatchewan lauding the Reliance variety and announcing it superior to Marquis.

"Reliance is a new variety of spring wheat produced by J. Allen of the division of cereal crops and diseases, United States Department of Agriculture," Mr. Stewart states. "It is a hybrid selection from a cross between Marquis and Kanred, the latter a winter wheat. Kanred has yet to be proven capable of withstanding drought."

"Tests at the University of Alberta farm, Edmonton, show Reliance is not rust resistant and is susceptible to bunt, or stinking smut. Reliance lodges badly and requires five days more for maturity than Marquis. The average yield of Reliance for the last three years at the university farm is three bushels less per acre than Marquis."

Reliance, Mr. Stewart says, is used in North Dakota and Montana where the soil is drier. If it is used at all in Alberta it will have to be in the dry-soil area, he concludes.



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Minister (with a sigh): "Well, there are no divorces in heaven."

Cynical friend: "No, you can't get a divorce without a lawyer."

New Breed Of Rabbit Has Fur Colour and Texture Of Beaver Is Claimed

A new breed of rabbit, with fur the color and texture of beaver has been developed after twelve years of scientific experiment. Dr. C. F. Friend, rabbit fancier, and organizer of the Rex Rabbit Breeders' Federation, Chicago, announced perfection of the breed prior to opening of the first display of the new offspring of the Lepus Cuniculus family.

The rabbit, scientifically attributed to a mutation or a biological change in cells, reached its present development in this country after discovery 12 years ago in France.

Through application of the Mendelian law, Dr. Friend reported successful experiments have also been carried out in the development of rabbits bearing fur closely akin to ermine, seal and chinchilla.

Government Rejects Manitoba Farm Plan

Unemployment Relief Measure Turned Down By Federal Authorities

Plans to place selected families on Manitoba farms as an unemployment relief measure, proposed by the provincial government, were turned down by the Federal Government, it was announced in a letter to the deputy minister of public works from Harry Herford, director of Dominion relief at Ottawa.

The scheme was intended to establish families on farms on a self-supporting basis, with half the cost to be borne by the Dominion Government and the other half equally by the provincial government and the city of Winnipeg.

"The policy outlined does not carry the judgment or approval of federal authorities," the letter said.

Nothing Changed

Many years after graduating from his alma mater a professor managed to obtain a faculty position there. Both as a new member of the faculty and as an alumnus he visited his old room in the fraternity house.

"The same old double-deckers," he muttered, "same old bathroom, same old pictures, same old carpets."

Then he opened the door of another room and found there a young student and a beautiful co-ed.

"Er—meet my sister, professor," said the student.

"Same old lies," muttered the professor again, backing out of the room.

"Be sure you're right—then go ahead!" may be good advice, but not always for pedestrians.

The common name of the cicada is "locust."

Shetland Sheep Wool Made Into Blankets

Imported Flock Owned By London Men Yields Heavy Clip

The only Shetland sheep wool blankets ever made in Canada were made for Mrs. Hugh and W. J. Stevenson, the wool being this year's clip from the herd owned by the Londoners at their Pound Mills stock farm.

These blankets are uncoloured, but retain the natural chocolate brown tone of the wool just as it grows on the backs of the hardy little island sheep. The texture of the blankets is luxuriously soft and fleecy.

These little known sheep were brought to Western Ontario from Shetland by Mrs. Stevenson two years ago, and have proved both adaptable to the climate and profitable. The wool is remarkably fine and long and yields a fairly heavy clip. The sheep themselves, though a wild breed, have a homing sense that helps to bring them back to the fold, and as mutt, they are excellent.

Saves Keeping Roads Open

Airplanes Carrying Supplies Weekly To Northern Relief Camps

Making their first trip December 4, R.C.A.F. aeroplanes being used this year to take supplies to relief work camps of the Federal Government at Prince Albert National Park, landed at Prince Albert, took on a load of 350 pounds, and then took off for Clear Lake camp set in the midst of the wilderness of pine and spruce near where boundary is being cut out by single jobless transients. Other camps are to be opened up, and from now on the trips will be made regularly once a week.

This is considered a simpler solution of the problem of supplying the camps with food than by attempting to keep roads open. Flight Lieutenant Carefoot, and Flight Sergeant Winkle, stationed at the R.C.A.F. base at Lader Lake, are piloting the two 'planes being used.

Why Year Was Tough

"This is certainly a tough year," is an expression frequently heard among business men when discussing their business and the prospects for a good fall and winter trade. It has been pointed out, however, that there are in the savings bank of the Dominion over \$50,000,000 more at the present time than there was at this time in 1920. The Farmer's Advocate hastens to remark that this fact alone is what makes a tough year.

Of 100 wild ducks marked and released at Hickling, England, 18 months ago, two have been found in East Prussia, 800 miles away, and one in Sweden.

Hardwoods That Are Native To Canada Have Never Been Properly Appreciated

Lumbering and pulpwood operations provide work and wages for thousands of laborers, offer a medium of investment in one of Canada's richest natural resources, and provide salaries for a large group of executive and technical employees. An economic crisis should focus attention on the natural resources of a country and induce a desire to utilize these natural resources to best advantage. The hardwood lumber industry of Canada has not been accorded the additional sustaining support which so many other industries have received.

Canada's native hardwoods, even in normal times, have never been sufficiently appreciated. Their properties, characteristics, and adaptability for service have never become widely known. It has always been thought necessary to import certain woods for certain specific purposes. These imported hardwoods have been chiefly gunwood, hickory, mahogany, sycamore, yellow poplar, rosewood, oak, walnut and ash. This importation is principally from the United States. Thus 132,671,000 ft. b.m. in 1920; 129,185,000 ft. b.m. in 1921; and 75,018,000 ft. b.m. in 1922 of hardwoods were imported from that country. In addition considerable quantities of hardwood flooring were also imported. Depression or no depression, some of this importation is certainly justified, as most of these species do not occur in Canada and accordingly will always be required for specific purposes. At the same time there are certain Canadian hardwoods whose characteristics adapt them admirably for identical uses, interior trim, flooring, furniture, implements, machinery parts, shipbuilding, vehicles, etc., as these imported woods. In fact it has been demonstrated that Canadian hardwoods are in many cases not only equal but superior to imported hardwoods.

It is not realized that many of our hardwood forests are going to waste. Good forestry practice requires a tree to be cut when it is mature, not after or before. A tree cut at maturity yields the maximum in utility value. After maturity it starts to decline, becomes more subject to the inroads of decay, and finally as a disease spreader becomes a menace to the rest of the forest. In spite of the fact that our hardwood resources are of great potential value, hardwood logging operations are not being carried on at a rate fast enough to keep the forest in a healthy condition. Thus

only 255,435,000 ft. b.m. of Canadian hardwoods were produced in 1922, and only 266,169,000 ft. b.m. and 165,823,000 ft. b.m. in 1921 and 1920 respectively. This represents a rate of cutting of about two per cent. of the total stand available; and yet yearly there are imported into Canada, a land of immense forest resources, thousands of feet of competing lumber.

These foreign woods are competing species. Our native woods are not inferior in quality and adaptability for service. It is not a question of foreign woods not being suitable, but rather a question of our woods being just as suitable. American oak has acquired a reputation, and quite rightly so, as an outstanding hardwood floor. But there are no finer floors than those built of selected Canadian red birch. There has been a wide use of the lower grades of birch and maple flooring, but very little utilization of the selected grades. Since most birch and maple flooring is second or third grade, it is thought that these floors represent the ultimate both in appearance and in utility value.

Then there is the use of Gothic oak for the interior trim of churches. This oak is stained throughout by a patented pressure treatment, and is, compared to the ordinary untreated oak, quite expensive. In spite of its cost this Gothic oak has already been used for the interior trim of Canadian churches. For a certain kind of job oak might be the only suitable wood, but often it has not been known or else overlooked that a Canadian wood, stained and treated in a somewhat similar manner, is obtainable. When treated in this manner, the job oak might be the only suitable wood, but often it has not been known or else overlooked that a Canadian wood, stained and treated in a somewhat similar manner, is obtainable. When treated in this manner, the job oak might be the only suitable wood, but often it has not been known or else overlooked that a Canadian wood, stained and treated in a somewhat similar manner, is obtainable.

Once properly established these native woods, principally birch, maple and elm, would soon rank with the commonly imported and supposedly superior woods—Ottawa Journal.

Took Safest Course

Colored Preacher Colined Text To Suit Emergency

Having urgent reasons for leaving his home town in two days, a colored man located in a village not far from St. Louis, Mo., would soon rank with the ministry. One night when he arose to preach he noticed, not far from the front, a man whom he immediately recognized as a resident of his home town. For a moment he was at a loss to know what to say, but escaped from the dilemma by saying: "Since coming to the pulpit I am moved to change my text. Next Sunday I will preach from the text announced for tonight. Tonight you will find my text in the 7th verse of the 103rd chapter of Isaiah, where it says:

"If you know me, say nothing, and I will see you later."

Some Advantage

A Milwaukee high school girl has found an advantage in being blind. At seventeen she has been chosen valedictorian of her class. She explains it this way: "I've had a big advantage over the students who can see. People passing the window, a boy making faces, a paper wall fight don't distract me. Nothing for me to do but concentrate, so, of course, I get good marks."

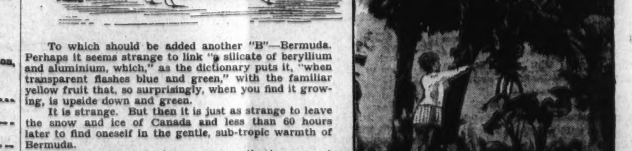
New Word Coined

A new word has been coined at Oxford to designate a growing population in England which is neither rural nor urban nor suburban. The new word is "rurban," and it refers to industrial workers residing in rural communities.

One hundred barrels of apples to an acre is considered a profitable crop from a full-grown orchard.



BERYL AND BANANAS



To which should be added another "B"—Bermuda. Perhaps it seems strange to link "a silicate of beryllium and aluminum," as the dictionary puts it, "when transparent flashes blue and green" with the familiar yellow fruit that, so surprisingly, when you find it growing, is upside down and green.

It is strange. But then it is just as strange to leave the snow and ice of Canada and less than 60 hours later to find oneself in the gentle, sub-tropical warmth of Bermuda.

"Beryl," as a metaphor, expresses the transparent beauty of the sea around Bermuda; bananas are the least strange of the many luscious fruits with which the island abounds. It is a fascinating combination of ancient and modern that one reaches by 20,021 ton Canadian Pacific Duchess liners sailing from New York every Wednesday and Saturday. No motors are allowed in the island—yet there is an ultra-modern Diesel-electric railway. A "cow's breakfast" hat, a sketch of a "Duchess of Athol" deck is the up-to-date Hamilton "gallus" suffice laughing dainties for costume, yet five minutes from where the "Duchess of Athol" docks is the up-to-date Hamilton Hotel, Bermuda's largest hotel. Only a 20 minute walk separates ship and Princess Hotel, while short drives or launch trips reach many other delightful spots and guest houses.

Canadians in increasing numbers are making

Bermuda their winter playground, more so since the inauguration last year of steamship service by trans-Atlantic liners.

(A) Stepping from ship to street.

(B) "Have a banana." A bright-eyed chameleon winked a bright eye and dodged when the young lady approached the tree—otherwise it was just like picking an apple in the orchard back home.

(C) Ancient and modern! The palatial Hamilton Hotel is in effective contrast with the horse-drawn carriage.

BEST ATTAINABLE IMAGE FROM DOCUMENT AVAILABLE

RAIL OUTLET FOR PEACE RIVER IS REQUESTED

Victoria, B.C.—The royal commission on transportation heard argument in favor of a Peace River outlet to the Pacific Coast and the presentation of a number of views on the manner in which some of the railway problems of Canada might be solved, at a public meeting in the court house here.

The commission announced that it would receive in writing a presentation from the British Columbia Government regarding the problem of the provincially owned Pacific Great Eastern Railway.

Ridgway R. Wilson, of Fernie, B.C., representing mining interests, urged the best and cheapest way to develop additional traffic for the western railway divisions was to extend a line into the northern territory of the Peace River area by way of Peace Pass. He said this connection would open up an empire of new mineral wealth, with new towns, increase the revenues of the railways, solve the Pacific Great Eastern problem, and largely solve the unemployment problem of western Canada.

T. D. Pattullo, provincial Liberal leader, urged that it was the duty of the Dominion Government to determine the Peace River outlet issue, concerning which, he said, it was reported that there was disagreement between the Canadian Pacific and Canadian National Railways.

S. R. Ross, representing agricultural interests, urged an arrangement between the railways by which all freight would be handled over the Canadian National mountain lines, because, he said, one locomotive could handle 60 cars on the Canadian National grades as against 20 cars on the Canadian Pacific grades.

Forty per cent. of the railway traffic of the Canadian Pacific was derived from agriculture, Mr. Ross stated. He protested against the Canadian Pacific having, according to his claim, turned \$64,000,000 of profit derived from such traffic in the last ten years, to building new ships and other developments, instead of lowering freight rates for farm producers. He also recommended the cutting out of all railroad duplication across Canada.

Alderman W. T. Straith and D. S. Tait, representing the City of Victoria, and grain elevator interests here, alleged lack of co-operation between the two railways in regard to matters here.

Asks Investigation Of Factory Exodus

Tariffs Blamed For Exodus Of Plants To Canada

Washington, D.C.—The exodus of factories from the United States to Canada was the subject of a resolution introduced into congress by Representative Harry C. Canfield, Democrat, Indiana, Mr. Canfield called for a commission to investigate.

"Mr. Canfield," asked the Canadian Press, "is it not the purpose of this commission to demonstrate to the country that the reason for the factory situation is the tariff?"

"I didn't say that," said Mr. Canfield, "but I think everybody knows that is the reason factories are going away from here."

The representative said he had observed that many factories were going to Canada and that there must be a reason. He had investigated and discovered that labor conditions in Canada were about the same as in the United States.

Therefore, he had concluded to ask for a congressional commission to investigate.

Alberta Premier Home

Edmonton.—Premier Brownlee has returned to Edmonton from Ottawa where he conferred with federal authorities on unemployment relief, old age pensions and other questions. No decision has yet been reached on the opening date of the next session of the Alberta legislature but it is expected that Premier Brownlee will call it for early in January.

A Visitor To Canada

New York, N.Y.—Lord Duncannon, son of the Earl of Beauchamp, Governor-General of Canada, arrived here from England on the "Isle De France." Lord Duncannon, who is a student at Cambridge University, availed himself of the Christmas recess to visit his parents. He left immediately for Ottawa.

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Ontario Aids Farm Holders

Forbids Foreclosure Of Any Mortgage Held By Province

Toronto, Ont.—The Ontario Government has notified the Provincial Agricultural Development Board—which holds \$35,000,000 of farm mortgages—not to foreclose under any circumstances when mortgagees are unable to meet their obligation. Hon. W. H. Price, Attorney-General and Acting Premier announced. The step is being taken in order to give farmers every opportunity to weather present financial difficulties.

The Attorney-General revealed the action of the government in regard to farm mortgages during the course of an announcement that the government would bring down legislation at the next session of the legislature to provide for a modified moratorium on mortgages.

"We realize that in these times of financial stress, people who otherwise would be able to meet their payments are in considerable difficulty and the government is anxious to help them over this period of financial stringency," said Col. Price.

"I have asked loan companies to be lenient in this regard and I have also approached sheriffs and bailiffs and made the same request. But there is no legislation at present providing for relief and the government intends to have the entire matter discussed on the floor of the legislature with a view to some form of legislation."

Industry Must Prepare For Imperial Conference

It Is To Result In Intimate Economic Partnership

London, Eng.—Industry throughout the Empire must organize itself and take a leading part in the preparations for the Ottawa Imperial Conference, says the London Times. In an editorial headed "Industries and Ottawa," it expressed the opinion great satisfaction will be manifested throughout the Empire after the Hon. J. H. Thomas, Dominions Secretary, makes his statement to the House of Commons.

"But," adds the Times, "much more than government departmental preparation is required to make the Ottawa conference a success. Industries themselves, both here and in the Dominions, must prepare if the conference is to result in intimate economic partnership. It should, therefore, be clear the enunciation of the British government's policy should be definite enough to encourage industries to start preparation."

Gale Paralyzed Shipping

Newfoundland Homes Were Flooded and Wharves Swept Away

St. John's, Nfld.—Newfoundland was estimating the damage caused by gales that swept the island dominion in two days. Reports reaching St. John's indicated that shipping was paralyzed all along the coast, while some waterfront homes were flooded and wharves swept away. From inland points came word of damaged telegraph and telephone systems.

Reminding the shore dwellers of the death-dealing quakes of 1929, a high tide rolled into Placentia Bay, carrying away many wharves, small boats and some fishing gear. At Promestown and Davis Cove several homes were flooded.

Wants To Keep Good Basis

Germany Doing Everything Possible To Remain On Standard

Basel, Switzerland.—Germany will do everything possible to remain on the gold standard, Carl Melchior, German representative of the world bank advisory committee, assured his fellow-countrymen.

Melchior informed the banking experts investigating Germany's capacity to pay reparations, that the German people were "horrible" at the thought of abandoning the gold standard.

Planning Driftless Service

London, England.—Establishment of a regular New York and London driftless service is being discussed by Dr. Hugo Eckener, master of the Graf Zeppelin, and British air experts. The German commander said: "If we get the permission of the British Government we propose to start a trans-Atlantic service."

Refuse To Pay Rent

Allahabad, India.—A hundred thousand peasants in 800 villages throughout this district, took part in "no rent" demonstrations and swore a common oath to refuse payment of rent. The proceedings were superintended by members of the National Congress.

PREMIER ASKS SUPPORT OF RED CROSS CAMPAIGN

S.S. Duchess Of Richmond, At Sea.—Prime Minister R. B. Bennett issued the following appeal to the Canadian people in support of the campaign of the Canadian Red Cross Society, which was inaugurated December 10.

"Before leaving Canada I decided to make an appeal to the people of the Dominion for a national emergency fund to be raised by voluntary subscription and used for the relief of suffering and distress during the coming winter."

"With this view I asked the Canadian Red Cross Society to undertake, in co-operation with other organizations and societies, the necessary collection and distribution of this fund. His excellency, the governor-general, in his capacity as president of the Red Cross, assured me of the willingness of the society to carry on this effort with the fullest understanding, sympathy and efficiency."

"We are still faced today with difficulties that are in some respects similar to those which confronted us during the Great War. Our troubles are less serious than those of some other countries but, nevertheless, there is a great deal of distress and suffering resulting from the economic depression, widespread unemployment and continued crop failure in large areas of the prairie provinces."

"Parliament authorized expenditures to provide what the government might deem best in the form of official undertakings to minimize unemployment. Through a co-operative program with provincial governments and municipalities much has been accomplished in providing relief in this way. But over and above what has been done will be done through such regular official expenditures and channels, there are large numbers of special cases in all parts of Canada that cannot be cared for through government activities. They can only be effectively dealt with through voluntary attention and assistance."

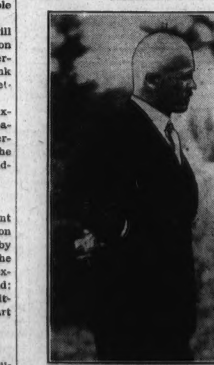
"It is for these that I appeal to the generosity and public spirit of our citizens. I am proud of what they have done and are doing, but there is still an urgent problem before us all. Never indeed has the splendid charity of the Canadian people been so much needed as it is at the present time. I feel confident that the liberality and human kindness they have shown in the past will be expressed again on this occasion."

"I ask all the men, women and children in our Dominion who are not themselves in need, and also all organizations, clubs, societies and lodges of every kind, to make a sacrifice for this cause, let us as a people make sure that no child shall go hungry or unclothed, and no sick or afflicted person shall lack care. We may be grateful that the outlook for the future is becoming brighter and that we have shown in the past will and fortitude in our national life by helping those of our countrymen who are in distress and want."

Population Of France

Paris, France.—The total population of France is 41,834,923, complete returns from the census conducted last spring revealed. The department of the Seine, which includes Paris, has 4,933,855 inhabitants. The increase in all France since 1926 was 1,091,976.

PREPARING TO MEET THE PROBLEM



Lord Beauchamp, Governor-General of Canada (left), and Premier R. B. Bennett (right), are here seen discussing plans for the National Emergency Fund appeal, which the Prime Minister had just announced, and which is to meet distress and suffering in Canada this winter. Mr. Bennett lays the matter before His Excellency who, as President of the Red Cross, promises the Society's fullest co-operation in helping to collect and administer this fund.

AGAIN WHEAT KING



Herman Treffe of Wembley, Alberta, has again annexed the title of the Wheat King as a result of his showing at the Chicago Grain Show. As Wheat King for the third time Mr. Treffe was outright for the first time in history the International Wheat Cup.

France Taxes Canadian Goods

Are Exempt If Coming Through From Other Lands

Paris.—A decree imposing 10 per cent. ad valorem surtax on products of Argentine and Uruguay and an 11 per cent. surtax on Canadian goods to compensate for the indirect export premium enjoyed by those countries owing to depreciation of their currencies, was published in the official journal.

Goods proved to be passing through those countries from other lands are exempt from the surtax and goods already on the way before the decree was promulgated remain subject to previous regulations.

Completed Daring Job

White Man and Eskimos Brave Perils To Salvage Furs

Point Barrow, Alaska.—Using dogs led for bridges over cracks in the ice and ropes to pull themselves over huge bergs, O. D. Morris, one of the marooned passengers of the steamship "Baychimo," and three Eskimo trappers completed one of the most daring salvage jobs in Arctic history.

Morris and the natives, after a disheartening struggle for 15 miles over the ice to the "Baychimo," frozen in when the Arctic winter caught her before she could escape to open water in the south, brought back ten bales of valuable furs.

English Holly From B.C.

Victoria, B.C.—Comprising 10,000 pounds of choice red berried English holly, the first carlot order of the Vancouver Island product ever to be shipped out of the province, has been despatched to Toronto, where it will arrive on December 14 and will provide Christmas decorations for some 3,000 households. The holly was grown on the holly ranch of F. S. Pemberton.

Criticism Of League

Manchester, England.—The Manchester Guardian, which has been critical of the League of Nations during the current Manchurian debate, carried an editorial describing the league council's efforts to solve the dispute as "feeble and weak efforts which have only served to make the league contemptible in the eyes of the world."

Supreme Court Judge Dead

Hon. Edmund L. Newcombe Taken Ill During November Session

Ottawa, Ont.—A justice of the supreme court of Canada since 1924, Hon. Edmund L. Newcombe, C.M.G., 72, died.

He was present at the beginning of the November session of the supreme court, but took ill during the sitting.

He was born in Cornwallis, Nova Scotia, and received his education in that province. He graduated from Dalhousie with the degree of bachelor of arts when 19 years old, and completed his law course in 1881. He was called to the bar in 1883, and in 1893 he was admitted to the bar of Ontario, and the same year was appointed queen's counsel. On March 13, 1893, Mr. Newcombe was appointed deputy minister of justice.

From 1902 to 1906 Mr. Newcombe was chairman of the select committee appointed to revise the statutes of Canada. In 1905, he was Canadian delegate to Great Britain on the conference over copyright legislation. He was associate British agent and counsel for Canada in the pecuniary claims agitation between Great Britain and the United States, prosecuting agent for his Majesty's Government for prize cases in Canada; chairman of the Military Service Council of 1917-18, member ex-officio of the Canada Registration Board.

PENSIONS COST DOMINION OVER \$41,000,000

Ottawa, Ont.—Canada's annual pension liability at the end of November, apart from provision for retroactive advances, was \$41,484,963. The annual liability for pension in 1930, was \$37,802,510. This announcement is made in a statement issued by Hon. Murray MacLaren, Minister of Pensions and National Health, on amendments to the Pension Act, 1930.

The statement of the Minister reads:

"Amendments to the Pension Act in 1930, providing for a pension tribunal, pension appeal court and veterans' bureau, constituted a radical change in the administration of the Pension Act. Further amendments covered the restoration to pension of final payment cases and an extension of the legislation respecting widows."

"The result of the restoration of final payment cases has been that 9,318 pensions have been restored after medical examination showing that disability has persisted, without increase. In addition, since March 31, 1930, 2,329 final payment cases have been restored, owing to increasing disability."

"The provision that widows married before January 1, 1930, should receive pension on the death, from a war disability, of their husbands, has resulted in the award of \$17 pensions."

"The provisions for the creation of the pension tribunal, the pension appeal court and the veterans' bureau have been far-reaching in effect, and the pensions advocates are displaying marked efficiency in the preparation and presentation of cases."

"Necessarily with the advent of new legislation, there was a deluge of applications which had in the first instance to be made to the Board of Pension Commissioners for Canada. Many of those who thought there was even a remote chance of securing pensions made application. There was a provision in the act that any application not granted by the pension board should be referred to the veterans' bureau and to the chief commissioner counsel, an officer appointed to represent the pension board before the tribunal and the court. This automatic reference necessarily clogged the new machinery, as upwards of 15,000 cases were referred, and it was impossible either for the veterans' bureau to prepare and present, or for the tribunal to hear these applications without great delay."

"In order to make possible the administration of the act, amendments were passed during this year, 1931, whereby the personnel of the pension tribunal was increased, so that instead of there being four sections of the tribunal sitting at one time there are now six. This has meant more rapid hearing of cases. The tribunal has rendered 3,793 decisions to November 30; 1,811 of these have been in favor of the applicant and 1,982 against the applicant. The decisions during the month of November were 437 of which 195 were in favor of the applicant and 242 against."

CANADA BUYING TOO MUCH RAW MATERIAL IN U.S.

Winnipeg, Man.—Plans to free Canadian trade from the tribute it now pays to banking, brokerage, shipping and warehousing services in the United States are being studied by the Dominion Government, Hon. H. H. Stevens, Minister of Trade and Commerce, stated here. Already, he said, negotiations have been entered with three branches of manufacturing industry to induce them to cease buying imported raw materials through United States agencies.

The recent drop in the value of the Canadian dollar in New York, Mr. Stevens said, had demonstrated more forcibly than ever before that Canada was too dependent on the United States.

Every year, the Minister said, this country imported millions of dollars worth of rubber from the East Indies, millions of dollars worth of hides from the Argentine, large quantities of wool from New Zealand and of coffee from Brazil and silk from Japan. Practically all these goods were bought from the United States. This meant they were carried in United States ships and the profits from servicing and handling staying in the United States. A more serious effect was that they appeared in the books of the producing countries as exports to the United States and when Canada went to ask favorable terms for Canadian exports from those countries they complained that they sold no goods to Canada.

The department, Mr. Stevens said, had taken the matter up with the rubber, silk and wool industries and was seeking to arrange a system whereby those industries could buy their materials direct from the producing countries, thereby keeping the benefits of trade in Canada.

The most serious difficulty was the reluctance of the average business man to change his way of doing business.

British People Help In Financial Distress

Give Valuables For Auction Bringing \$5,700 To Treasury

London, England.—The national treasury gained about \$3,700 when jewelry, gold coins and trinkets, gifts to the nation in its day of financial distress, were auctioned. It was the most unique sale in the long history of Christie's.

The valuables were sent to Rt. Hon. Philip Snowden in the last days of his chancellorship by people in all stations of life. They represented tangible sacrifice to the nation—some came from obscure women and some the sole remaining relics of the younger days when their families were prosperous. Each gift was auctioned separately so the donor might know the amount subscribed to the treasury.

Among the coins were two pound-pieces minted for President Kruger of South Africa, a gold five-pound piece and a gold spade guinea.

Predicts Western Control

St. Thomas, Ont.—"The time is coming when western Canada will control the destinies of the Dominion and people of the east will thank God the west is part of Canada," said Very Rev. W. G. Brown, of Saskatoon, moderator of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, in addressing the Kiwanis Club here.

Closed Season Not Needed

Edmonton, Alberta.—There is no need for a closed season on ducks in 1932 in the central and northern parts of Alberta, according to a resolution passed at a meeting here of the Edmonton branch, Alberta Fish and Game Protective Association. The members went on record as opposed to a closed season next year.

More Idle In Britain

London, England.—For the first time since the end of September, British unemployment showed an increase in the week ended November 23. The total was 2,622,091, which was 6,912 more than the previous week and 316,383 more than at the same time a year ago.

Urges Early Conference

London, England.—Prime Minister Ramsay MacDonald told the House of Commons that his government feels an international conference to deal with the world economic situation should be held immediately after the financial experts now meeting at Basel have made their report.

Air Is Principal Element Of Earth

Is Becoming More Real As Aviation Progresses

The U.S. Aeronautical Chamber of Commerce estimates that more than 400,000 persons will have travelled by air at the close of the year. In August alone more than 20,000 American passengers were carried on this immense ocean of the atmosphere that the Wrights first ventured on successfully with heavier-than-air machines in 1903.

This subtle and transparent sea, whose floor we had been content to creep upon since our first trials of locomotion by land and water; which naively from childhood we have thought of as a kind of vast emptiness or nothingness compared with the solid earth under our feet, becomes massive and real as 400,000 of us put it under the hull of our transport planes. Decidedly it is not nothing. In the exceedingly thin film of air and earth that is the environment of human life, already our perpendicular explorations have been more upward than down. Already we have made ourselves more at home in its height of air than in its depth of earth crust.

If the Aeronautical Chamber of Commerce is challenging us with its statistics to become air-minded, it is not asking so much of us then. We are asked to trust ourselves in a new but by no means untrod relation to one of the principal realities of our existence; to sail an ocean whose waters, pressing heavily upon us at their depths, incessantly sight and day, flow in and out of our bodies as the breath of life.

"All the creatures who walk, crawl or fix their roots on the earth," says the great geographer Elise Reclus, "are none the less children of the air. . . . We repose on the soil, but it is of the air and in the air that we live—men, animals and plants. . . . This gaseous, transparent mass of the earth is, however, its principal element."—New York Herald-Tribune.

Showed Real Courtesy

English Lady Sent Maid To Wedding In Rolls Royce

There are often charming disclosures about the relations between old aristocratic English families and their household servants, when it is revealed that the family nurse, the cook, the butler or the gardener are almost like one of the family, and are treated with the utmost consideration and respect, especially after long years of service. It is the rare exception to find the blood stock of England "high hatted" their domestics.

Quite recently the lady's maid of a peer's daughter was married. The maid had not been with her very long, but the lady went to the wedding. And how!

The wedding was in St. George's Church, Hanover Square, London, England, one of the fashionable churches of Mayfair. The lady gave her Rolls-Royce car to the maid to go to church in, and followed herself in a taxi!

The action of a real lady.

New General Anesthetic

Development of a new general anesthetic through the purification of divinyl oxide was announced recently as the work of members of the staff of the University of California medical school. The new anesthetic is longer lasting and its use is free from the objectionable pathological effect.

Bride—"Men are brutes. My husband promised me a surprise if I learned to cook, so I took lessons." Friend—"How thrilling! What was the surprise?" Bride—"He dismissed our cook."



He: "I am surprised that our wedding is not mentioned in this calendar." She: "Why should it?" He: "It gives the dates of all the great disasters."—Pete Miele, Paris.

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Ruse Of Officer Worked

Used Ship's Cat To Fool Custom's Guard

The second officer of a certain ship was very anxious to take some Scotch whiskey ashore with him. He managed it this way: He put the ship's cat, a wild, flighty creature, in a suitcase, walked down the gangplank, and started legging it quickly for the street. When a customs guard stopped him, he brushed rudely by. The guard pursued, took him by the arm, and said he would have to see what was in that bag.

"You can't," said the second officer. "I won't open it. I got the ship's cat in here, and she would get away on me."

"That's too bad," said the guard. "Open her up."

The second mate did, and the cat scuttled for the ship. The officer pursued hotly. Aboard once more, it was very simple for the mate to fill the suitcase with whiskey and walk out again. As he passed the guard, he said, wisely: "The son-of-a-gun won't get away from me this time."

Mistake Was Slight

So Minister Thought It Not Worth Correcting

A preacher and a lawyer who were travelling together fell to discussing mistakes in spelling. The minister said, "What do you do," asked the preacher, "if you have a slip of the tongue and say something you didn't intend to say?"

"That depends," replied the lawyer. "If it is a serious mistake I go back and correct it; if only a slight mistake I pass on and do not notice it. What do you do?"

"I follow the same rule," replied the preacher. "For instance, last Sunday in the course of my sermon I intended to say that the devil was the father of liars, but by the slip of the tongue I said that the devil was the father of lawyers."

"What did you do?" asked the lawyer. "I was on without noticing it."

Tries To Set Example

Head Of Great Concern Follows Good

A man who has been at the head of a great concern says that he does not try to demand perfection in anyone but himself and his work. He recognizes two things.

The first is that men are bound to make mistakes. The second is that the personal example of high endeavor is more effective in inciting others to work toward perfection, than in nagging and scolding. If men who direct the affairs of others would make as large demands upon themselves as they make upon others, better work would be the result.

Television Not Yet Practical

Although Great Strides Have Been Made In Past Year

Although television has made great strides in the past year, it has not yet reached the point where the United States Federal Radio Commission will recognize commercial possibilities in visual broadcasting in this country.

The commission's annual report said there has been great improvement in the quality and in the amount of detail in images transmitted but the available number of visual broadcasting frequencies put a severe limit on the number of stations which may be operated without interference.

Wives Still Expensive

Wives are still just as expensive in Northern Transvaal in spite of the world slump in prices. The drop in the gold standard has not affected the "rate of exchange" for native wives. An attractive one can still be obtained for 12 head of cattle, and an inferior one for eight. Nor has there been any change in the installment system by which the wife returns to her kraal if the cattle deliveries are not maintained.

Railway Offered As Gift

A railway complete with stations and rolling stock, is offered free of charge by the Bavarian Government. Furthermore, Bavaria will give \$2,500 a year to the person who will run it. The Government cannot make the road pay and it does not wish to shut it down because it brings many money-spending tourists and holiday makers to the country.

Sunshades For Trees

To protect a group of young trees at a railway station near Berlin, Germany, from the scorching noonday sun, huge sunshades have been erected. The shades consist of close-woven netting on a wooden framework. The trees are said to have shown unusually rapid growth.

DISARMAMENT SUPPORTERS CAUGHT IN FREE-FOR-ALL



One of the most disgraceful free-for-all fights ever staged, overwhelmed a meeting of the International Disarmament Conference in Paris when the wrath of the French audience descended upon the heads of innocent principals. The trouble commenced when Edouard Herriot (left), former French Premier and chairman of the meeting, attempted to introduce a French pacifist to the gathering. His efforts to control the meeting failed, and in the melee the speaker's stand was wrecked. Lord Robert Cecil (left, center), British delegate, collapsed in his chair; Alanson B. Houghton (right center), U.S. delegate, was hissed and howled at, and a radio broadcast from Washington of Senator Borah's speech (right) to the meeting was drowned out.

German Monks Rebuild

Medieval English Abbey

Work Of Twenty-six Years Will Soon Be Completed

The great medieval abbey of Buckfast, in Ashburton, England, which has lain in ruins for four centuries, soon will stand fully restored as a monument to the labors of a little group of Benedictine monks.

For more than twenty-six years, working in relays of six, the monks, who live nearby in the Devonshire Valley, have been rearing the vast monastery from its original foundations, laid in the eighth century. Virtually unaided, they have rebuilt it at all its former detail, and next August it is to be consecrated.

The abbey is a magnificent grey and yellow stone structure. Only the crumbling central tower and the foundation remained when, in 1905, the monks decided to restore it. Although none of them had any knowledge of construction work, they were determined to do their work without outside help.

"There was but one brother who knew how to handle a hammer and trowel," said Dom. Anscar. "Venier, the smiling, grey-haired abbot. 'But we had a firm belief in Providence and great determination.' A young brother was appointed to my 'nadir' for the solitary builder, and one by one other brothers were assigned to tasks."

At no time have more than six monks been available. Since no tip-pool has ever been made for funds and no money ever paid for wages, it has necessarily taken a long time to build the monastery.

As time went on the monks, working with white aprons over their robes, became expert masons, carpenters and decorators. They decided to install an electrical lighting system, so one brother studied books on electrical engineering until he was able to build up dynamos and other equipment.

Most of the monks were German, but during the war they were held in such respect that they were not disturbed in any way for three years. Then, as a matter of form, they were interned on their own property, but never subjected to surveillance.

It is found that salmon meat is rich in vitamin "D," an important food substance commonly obtained from eggs and dairy products.

Every day writes a new chapter in the rise of grain prices—the best possible kind of cereal story.

Result Will Be Satisfactory

Money For Advertising In 1921 Will Be Well Spent

The board of directors of the Advertising Federation of North America announces a survey it has conducted indicates the 1921 advertising dollar will bring better results than at any time during the past two years.

Gilbert T. Hodges, president, said the survey shows a growing confidence in 1921 advertising possibilities. He cited as important factors "depletion of personal goods by individuals and the scanty stocks on the shelves of dealers and in distributors' warehouses."

His report adds greatly improved credit conditions and the beginning of commodity price recovery are reflected in an "improved general morale."

Check-up of 102 large companies showed that those firms which "increased their advertising in 1920 over 1920 made a 58 per cent. better profit comparison than those which decreased it."

President Hodges said a recent analysis of seventy large cities found appreciable business recovery has been under way for some months in the cities where newspaper advertisements have been heaviest.

Need Not Consider Russia

Country Will Not Be Serious Factor In This Season's Market

Soviet Russia is overlooked on wheat, and will not be a serious factor in the market for the remainder of this season, in the opinion of Walter Allen of London, England, a director of the parent Spillers Milling Co., Canadian interests of which he is now inspecting.

"I would say that Russia has over-sold herself and had failed to take into consideration the poor quality of her spring crop," Mr. Allen said. "I don't think Russia will trouble us or rather the wheat producers—any more this season."

Quite Obvious

Aberdonian (to fellow passenger who has given him a third fill for his pipe):—"You'll maybe think it's queer to see me takin' so many fills o' yer grand tobacco, but the fact is, I'm trying to stop smokin', and I never carry any o' my ain."

Much is expected of a new variety of strawberry, called the "Starliner," which two British Columbia horticulturists took fifteen years to develop.

Famous Bonesetter Dead

John Reese Learned Art From Welsh Healer When Quite Young

John D. ("Bonesetter") Reese died of a heart attack at a hospital in Youngstown, Ohio. He was 76 years old.

From a steel worker in his native Wales, Reese rose to a unique position among the world's healers. While still a child he learned the art of setting bones from an aged Welsh healer.

His fame grew, and when he came to the United States in 1887 to work first as a laborer in Pittsburgh rolling mills and later in Youngstown, his gifts gradually took him from the steel pits to the healer's chair.

For many years he was bitterly opposed by members of the medical profession, but by 1900 his reputation had grown so great the Ohio Legislature passed a special act enabling him to practice the profession of "bonesetter."

Among the noted patients who found their way to his unpretentious offices were David Lloyd George, Gene Tunney, Ty Cobb, Will Rogers and Fred Stone.

His fees were often adjusted to his patient, it was said, though none ever was turned away.

Canada Taking Part

In Postal Convention

Joins With United States, Spain, and Latin American Countries

Canada joins with the United States, Spain and the Latin American countries in a new postal convention becoming effective on March next, according to announcement made by Postmaster-General Brown at Washington.

The postmaster made the announcement after the return of delegates to the session of the Pan American Postal Congress held in Madrid.

The new convention provided for complete freedom of transit through the signatory countries and by the services maintained by them. Domestic rates and conditions of each country will apply to mails sent to any of the others except that the United States reserves the right to make a 50 per cent. increase in its postage rates to Latin America. The name of the Union was changed from "Pan American Postal Union" to "Postal Union of the Americas and Spain."

All Dressed Up

This story comes to us from the hills of Arkansas. A young couple was preparing to go to a party. The husband finished dressing and stood aside to let his wife give her approval. Surveying him from head to foot, she said: "I don't see why you hate so to go to parties, Elmer. You look good in shoes."

Canada's Turbine Installation

The total turbine installation in Canada on January 1, 1920, according to the Dominion Water Power and Hydroelectric Bureau, Department of the Interior, amounted to 6,325,000 horse-power or only a little more than 14 per cent. of the permissible installation of the known water-power resources of the Dominion.

Event For Canadians

On August 31, 1922, there will take place the comparatively rare event of a total eclipse of the sun visible in Canada. The last such eclipse occurred in 1925, and no further total eclipses except the one next year will cross Canada until 1954, states the Dominion Observatory of the Department of the Interior.

A new printing press for the Winnipeg Free Press was started by the pulling of a lever at Toronto. Westward Ho!

Tribute Paid To England

Has Contributed Leadership and Organization To World's Economic Life

The following tribute is paid England in the Baltimore Sun, by R. M. Anderson, Jr., the economist of the Chase National Bank.

"England has contributed leadership and organization to the world's economic life. A very large part of the world's capital is intangible capital—organization, good-will, established trade relationships, knowledge and technique, prestige, courage and enterprise. In all previous periods of economic trouble the world has had the benefit of the wisdom, and the courage, and the prestige, and the money of London. The British, with their world-wide knowledge of economic life, in all previous crises have been quick to sense unusual situations, quick to take advantage of weak markets, buying bargains and thus preventing market dislocations. They have been quick in giving credit to threatened weak spots which could be saved if given a little time for mobilizing slow assets to quick liabilities. Small countries suddenly meeting financial pressure, appealed to London for assistance and got it. . . . It is no disparagement of our own economic organization to say that it is inadequately prepared to take up on short notice the problems with which Latin America is being dealing for a hundred years. We need London, and we are still accustomed to lean on London, even though our need for her be not as great as it was in the pre-war period."

Russia's Wheat Crop Fails

Because Farm Machinery Was Not Ready For Planting Time

Russia's 1921 wheat crop, which has been soaring wheat producers the world over for a year, is a failure because Russia's farm machinery was not ready at the proper time for planting, the machinery was rapidly wrecked by bad handling when it did arrive, the Russian farmer refuses to accept information on the repair and use of any machine, doesn't care whether it runs or not, and "sleeps one thing he sure loves." So reports an Illinois machinery instructor after some time on a Russian farm school.

A Detroit industrialist, lately returned from the land of the Soviets, assures us that the same statements are true of the manufacture and use of machinery in Russian industry in general, and opines that the Russians will never get any further with productive machinery than the Chinese. Up to this writing the famous five-year plan looks about as real as a Halloween's false face.

The Latest Worry

Deciding Best Place To Keep Your Driver's License

Don't leave your driver's license in your other pair of pants when you change your clothes, if you have another pair of pants in 1921. Don't leave it in your car, for somebody may steal the car, and you may get pinched while driving a loaner. Don't carry it in your pocketbook, for somebody may pick your pocketbook. Don't carry it in your vest pocket or it will wear itself out riding around there, and probably blow away. Put it in a little rubber bag and hang it around your neck on a steel rope just under your shirt like a little tin tag in war time.

Needed Block and Tackle

Six piano movers, with block and tackle, were employed by an undertaker to lift Charles Bush, who weighed 622 pounds, in a casket weighing 408 pounds. He was a butcher who died of fatty degeneration of the heart. He won second place in a fat man's competition several months ago at Los Angeles.

An eclipse of the sun is to be broadcast next year by television. Everything in the universe can now be broadcast except a little peace and quiet.



The Just Man: "I never vote. I pay for my own beer.—Simplicissimus, Munich."

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Special Church Services

Church of the Ascension (ANGELICAN)

Sunday, December 30th.
10.00 a.m. Sunday School
7.30 p.m. Evensong.
Choir will sing "All Thy Works."
Friday, December 28th.
8.00 a.m. Holy Communion.
10.30 a.m. Holy Communion with Hymns.
Sunday, December 27th.
7.30 p.m. Evensong and Carol Service.

United Church Services

Our Special Christmas Services will be held next Sunday as follows:
Madden at 11 o'clock
Inverlea at 3.30 p.m.
Crossfield at 7.30 p.m.
At the evening service, among the special music will be the Anthem "Nativity" by the choir; a solo by Mrs. J. P. Winning and a duet by Miss Myrtle Metheral and Mr. E. C. Collier.
The subject of address will be "IS PEACE POSSIBLE?"

EARLY DAYS

—OF—
CROSSFIELD

By P. I. McANALLY

About 1903 Mr. Thos. Fitzgerald bought two sections of R. R. land east of Crossfield. Later he had somewhere between four and five hundred acres broken by the late Frank Williams. Mr. Williams being among the first who did plowing by steam power. While "Tom" was having this work done he continued his railroad work in the United States and came on the land later.

When Mr. Fitzgerald started farming he used oxen and it was not unusual to see or hear him coming across the prairie delivering his first crop to the elevator. He often hove in sight at 7 a.m. in the months of Nov. and Dec. with four oxen hitched to a loaded wagon of grain. The trail in those days led to town and the elevator across what is now Frank Purvis' farm.

The late Jas. Smart, sr. came to this region in 1903. He had a fine lot of cattle and of select quality. He and family located about three miles south of Crossfield. Three of the sons getting homesteads as well. The late Peter Smyth came here with his family in 1902 or 3, and settled 3 miles south-east of town on the land where Mr. Buttermann now resides. Mr. Smyth had spent three years on land at Fish Creek, near Midsnapore, before moving to this district. He brought with him some very fine horses and about 100 head of fine cattle.

Mr. Smyth died rather suddenly in March 1913.
The late Geo. James was among the early settlers, he homesteaded on the N. E. quarter of the section where Mr. Metheral now resides. The land is now owned by Mr. McCaskill. Mr. James died some 5 or 6 years ago.

Christmas trees can be secured at the Chronicle office.

Local and General

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Amery left today (Thursday) to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives in Walla Walla, Wash.

Rev. Hall of Westboro Baptist Church, Calgary, is holding service in the Beaverdam Hall tonight (Thursday.)

The highway between Crossfield and Calgary which held up traffic for several hours on Monday owing to snow drifts is reported clear and in good shape today.

These days see the stores of Crossfield all in festive lue; both from a decorative point of view as well as the class of stock which iron display for gift suggestions. Remember you get another chance at the dollar you spend at home.

CURLING

Thursday
Meyers 15; J. Williams 10.
Smart 11; Gilchrist 6.

Friday
Glen Williams 12; Stralo 8
McRory 10; Winning 8.

Saturday
McMillan 9; Purvis 7
Smart 10; J. Williams 5.

Monday
Winning 9; Gilchrist 8

G. Williams 14; McMillan 2.

Tuesday
Meyers 13; McRory 12

Purvis 10; J. Williams 10.

Wednesday
Stralo 6; Smart 4 (8 ends)

The ice was extremely heavy on Wednesday night and only one game was played. The chinook set in in earnest today (Thursday) and it is not likely that any further games will be played this week.

A large jack rabbit wandered into town on Sunday afternoon and after a very exciting chase with Everett Bills coyote hounds was finally caught in the yard of C. H. McMillan, but not before he had led the dogs a merry chase up and down the main thoroughfares of the town. It had a good horse race beat for speed.

I SAW

Merrick Thomas and Doug Hall discussing the fine points (also the weak ones) of the Lenz-Culbertson bridge game.

Happy McMillan telling the boys that "good curlers" "get the broom."

"Lucky Joe" getting his usual breaks.

Tom leaving town with an expression on his face as though he had lost an argument.

Polly informs us that the telephone pole she used to practise on last week was the one in front of her own property, so no one should really object, and furthermore, she was only making a test to find out just how far a Ford car could go when you put it in high.

Tennis Dance

Under the auspices of Crossfield Tennis Club a dance will be held in the U. F. A. Hall on New Year's Eve—31st Dec. 1931. Music will be furnished by Peachy's Orchestra from Calgary.

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THURSDAY, DEC 17th, 1931

Ed. Hendrickson returned to Edmonton on Tuesday.

L. Farr of Airdrie was a business visitor in town today.
Wm. Blackadder was a visitor in Calgary on Saturday.

W. K. Gibson shipped a carload of hogs to Calgary on Tuesday.

Miss Eleanor Matheson of the Bank of Commerce staff is relieving at the Bank in Red Deer.

Merle Casey of Leslieville spent the week-end in town. Merle brought down a load of Xmas trees and took back a load of farm equipment.

We have just received a large assortment of Boxed Stationery, suitable for Xmas Gifts that we are selling at money-saving prices.—Chronicle Office.

Don't forget the turkey shoot on Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 22. Bring your scatter gun and take home a turkey for Xmas.

Alfred Stevens is relieving at Halliday's Store in Didsbury this week during the absence of Howard Halliday who is laid up with an attack of the gripe.

A deal was put through this week whereby Wm. Urquhart became the owner of Gibson's high class saddle horse. Wm. is a horseman and knows a good one when he sees it.

Airdrie Hockey Team play at Crossfield on Tuesday evening, Dec. 22 in a league game. Al. Hunter states that his squad is rapidly rounding into form and a good game is assured for Tuesday (weather permitting.)

Johnson McCool of Edmonton, a former Crossfielder broke into the headlines of the sporting pages the other day when he plastered Dr. Anderson, one of the best curlers in Edmonton, with a seven end.

Cora Hall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Doug Hall was taken suddenly ill with an attack of appendicitis on Monday evening and was taken to Calgary on the early train Tuesday morning and operated on. We are pleased to state that she is getting along nicely.

Happy McMillan and Everett Bills entertained at their annual "stag" turkey dinner at the home of the former on Tuesday evening. It was a bounteous feast with all the trimmings. The following guests were present, Ed. Meyers, Glen Williams, Arnold High, Vergil Green, Lloyd McRory, Fred Patchell, W. H. Miller.

Jas. A. Aldred received a number 1 for a carload of Marquis wheat, and number 2 for a carload of Reward, both grown in the same field, and furthermore, Marquis yielded considerably better. He can't see just why Reward is supposed to be such a great wheat, when evidently it is not in the same class as Marquis.
Bill Wood, Adam Cruickshank, Geo. E. Huser, and Don McArthur, returned on Saturday last from their big game hunting trip north-west of Rocky Mountain House. The weather was bad for hunting all the time they were out, but at that Bill and 'Donnie were lucky enough to get a moose each.

The monthly meeting of the public school board was held at the school on Monday afternoon, with Trustees Mrs. Harrison, W. K. Gibson and Wm. Urquhart present. Principal Collier was also on hand. The business transactions were limited in number, consisting of only a few accounts for coal and other routine business.

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MONEY TO LOAN
PHONE 3

Council Meetings

The council of the village of Crossfield will meet in the Office of the Secretary Treasurer on the first Monday of each month commencing with February at the hour 8 o'clock p.m.
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